OK TO ENTER: /Y.N./

02/26/2009

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Inventor:

Masahiko NANRI

Art Unit 2446

Appln. No.:

10/533,076

Exr. Y. Nilanont

Filed:

April 28, 2005

Conf. No. 2401

For:

COMMUNICATION SYSTEM AND METHOD THAT GENERATE A NEW

PACKET TRANSMISSION WINDOW BASED ON PACKET ARRIVAL

TIMES

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection dated November 24, 2008, the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of this application in light of the following remarks.

Claims 5-8 stand rejected, under 35 USC § 103(a), as being unpatentable over Hadi Salim et al. (US 6,625,118) in view of Tam (US 6,622,172) and Fu et al. (IEEE article). The Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections based on the points set forth below.

Claim 5 defines a communication system that generates transmission window-size information based on the difference between the time at which a head packet of a plurality of packets is received and the time at which all packets in a transmission window are received. The claimed subject matter supports controlling the quantity of packets transmitted so as to avoid transmission congestion (see specification page 2, lines 13-16). (References herein to the